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Re: **Application No.:** 10/620,965
Confirmation No.: 9700
Applicant: Jay A. Vorndran
Filed: July 15, 2003
Title: Method of Applying Flux to Molten Metal
Art Unit: 1742
Notice of Allowance Date: June 21, 2006
Docket No.: AMCOR-003

Sir:

Please find enclosed the Issue Fee Transmittal form for filing in the above-referenced Application. Also enclosed are Comments on the Statement of Reasons for Allowance; a Request to Amend Drawings; and two (2) replacement sheets of (formal) drawings.

Very truly yours,

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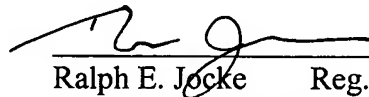
Sir:

In response to the Notice of Allowability dated June 21, 2006 kindly enter Applicant's
comments without prejudice as follows:

Comments on the Statement of Reasons for Allowance

Applicant acknowledges the Office's admission that the pending claims are patentable over the references of record. Applicant respectfully submits that while the specific features and relationships mentioned in the statement of reasons for allowance (in the Office Action dated March 15, 2006) are not disclosed or suggested in the prior art, these are not the only recited features and relationships which are not found in the prior art. Furthermore, the statement sometimes indicates a general paraphrasing of claim language, and not necessarily the exact claim language. It should be understood that the allowed subject matter is to only be limited by that subject matter which is specifically recited. Any remarks in the statement which narrow the recited subject matter should be disregarded.

Respectfully submitted;



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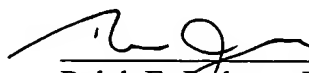
Request to Amend Drawings

Sir:

Applicant requests to amend the drawings by substituting the two (2) replacement drawing sheets enclosed herewith (containing formal Figures 1-11) for the currently pending drawing sheets.

These replacement drawing sheets are identical to the pending drawing sheets in all respects except for shading, line quality, margins, and paper size. No new matter will be added as a result of this substitution. Permission to amend the drawings by substitution is respectfully requested.

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